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In accordance with Section 1.97(b) (3), it is believed that this Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

The references were cited during prosecution of the corresponding German application.

However, in contrast to the arrangement according to the invention, the reference cited against claim 1 (DE 198 58 417) discloses a torsion bar extending between the wheels and connected to wheel suspension parts by way of shock absorbers.

The present invention resides in a device for minimizing the roll movement of vehicle bodies having rigid axles or independent suspensions, with a non-torsion bar mounted pivotably on the vehicle body and oriented approximately transversely to the vehicle longitudinal direction, and two parallel cantilever arms disposed approximately

horizontally in a neutral position of the vehicle, essentially vertically oriented spring/damper units are supported between free ends of the cantilever arms and the vehicle wheel suspensions, the spring/damper units being cylinder/piston units filled with a hydraulic fluid, with the pistons in the cylinder/piston units being centered, free of play, so as to be pre-stressed between springs.

Such an arrangement is not disclosed in any of the cited references.

In accordance with Section 1.97(e) (1), the undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained herein was cited for the first time in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Statement.

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